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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT SADAT'S VISIT TO US

1. AS REPORTED CAIRO 8944, I DISCUSSED WITH PRESIDENT SADAT LAST EVENING HIS UPCOMING VISIT TO THE US BEGINNING OCTOBER 28. I TOOK THE OCCASION TO ASK IF HE HAD ANY PARTICULAR PLACES THAT HE MIGHT LIKE TO VISIT. SADAT SAID HE HAD NO SPECIFIC DESIRES AT THIS TIME AND WOULD LEAVE IT TO FAHMY TO DISCUSS WITH YOU WHEN YOU MEET IN NEW YORK. HE CONSIDERS HIS WASHINGTON STOP ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT AND WOULD LIKE A FULL PROGRAM THERE TO INCLUDE MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT FORD, YOU, BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS, THE PRESS, ETC. WHEN TRAVELING ELSEWHERE IN THE COUNTRY, HE WANTS NO MORE THAN ONE OR TWO EVENTS SCHEDULED IN ANY SINGLE DAY. HE SAID HE WILL NEED PLENTY OF REST.

2. I ASSURED HIM WE WILL BEAR THIS IN MIND AND MENTIONED THE UTILITY OF PRESIDENT VISITING OTHER PARTS OF THE US IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE HIS EXPOSURE. HE WAS QUITE AGREEABLE IN PRINCIPLE, BUT REITERATED FAHMY AND YOU SHOULD WORK OUT HIS ITINERARY. I ALSO TOLD HIM THAT I HAVE A LIST OF HOSPITALS IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE US, WHICH MRS. SADAT HAD EARLIER INDICATED AN INTEREST IN VISITING. WE WOULD SEEK TO ARRANGE THAT SHE IS ABLE

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TO DO SO. THE PRESIDENT SAID THIS IS FINE.

3. COMMENT: I SUSPECT THAT BEFORE FAHMY LEAVES, MRS. SADAT WILL HAVE SOME IDEAS ON WHERE SHE AND THE FAMILY WILL WANT TO VISIT. THE PRESIDENT WILL LARGELY BE GUIDED BY THEIR WISHES. ALSO, WITH THE INVITATION HAVING NOW BEEN FORMALLY EXTENDED, IT WILL BE HELPFUL TO KNOW ASAP HOW MANY PEOPLE IN THE PRESIDENT'S PARTY WE WILL HOST AND ANY OTHER PERTINENT DETAILS TO BE DISCUSSED WITH APPROPRIATE EGYPTIAN OFFICIALS.
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